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Attached is a three-page report on observations made in Burgas Harbor

as well as a sketch of the harbor area with indicated locations of ships and shore installations.

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ATTACHMENT

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Port of Burgas

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1. [redacted] six ships of various countries were observed in the outer harbor of Burgas waiting to get into port.
2. In addition to the health doctor, the commission visiting the ships entering the Port of Burgas is composed of the following:
- a. A police captain;
 - b. Several policemen;
 - c. Customs personnel;
 - d. An officer of the Port authority;
- The above commission was composed of a total of approx 10 people and was commanded by the police captain.
3. [redacted] the health doctor [redacted] checked the health documents of the ship before admitting it into port, the police visited all the quarters and parts of the ship except for the cabin of the ship commander; he checked the crew list and the ~~the~~ ^{against} booklets ~~against~~ of the individual crew members in order to ascertain the possible presence of any ____ person aboard clandestinely; he further sealed the radio, telephone, radio broadcasting station, cameras, binoculars and currency.
4. The officer of the Port Authority command checked the documents of the ship.
5. [redacted] it is understood that, shortly, visits to Burgas will be less rigorous and will be purely formal.

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[redacted]

No naval units were observed in the Port of Burgas [redacted]

[redacted]

8. The following were also observed in the Port of Burgas:

- a. Three modern ^{5-6 ton} cranes, with movable arm, and running on tracks;
- b. A large building used as a freight warehouse;
- c. Depot for misc merchandise.

9. A quay where the various depots are located, ^{is} equipped with a railway line, which, passing in front of and behind those depots, connects with the railway station of Burgas, located outside of the Port area.

- d. A small basin where small motor ^{driven} ships of metal and iron not above 200 tons are moored. They are used for transportation of persons travelling to nearby places.
- e. Work is in progress ~~on the excavation~~ at position shown as No. 13 on the attached sketch, on excavating and enlarging the port;
- f. Building in which several offices of the customs are located (see No. 14 in the attached sketch);
- g. Exit and entrance to the port (See No. 15, Sketch);
- h. In the vicinity of the entrance, on the left side coming out of the port, there ^{is} a railway station (No. 16, Sketch).

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[redacted] a Bulgarian soldier armed with a pistol

was stationed along the quay [redacted]

10. Various military personnel were observed in the city of Burgas, [redacted]

11. [redacted] the Bulgarian people lived very poorly and [redacted] the

[redacted]

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foodstuffs and clothing are scarce, very expensive, and of inferior
quality.

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